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This application claims priority under 35 USC §120 to the following United States patent application: 10/410,736. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(d), copies of the references cited herein which were submitted to, or cited by, the office, in compliance with 37 CFR §1.98(a)-(c) in the earlier application may not be provided herewith. The Examiner is directed to those references cited in all Information Disclosure Statements filed in the priority United States patent application cited above in addition to the references cited herein.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(b), Applicants hereby cite the following references:

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS		
DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	NAME
US 4,630,304	12/16/1986	Borth et al.
US 4,845,466	07/04/1989	Hariton et al.
US 5,012,519	04/30/1991	Adlersberg et al.
US 5,251,263	10/05/1993	Andrea et al.
US 5,426,703	06/20/1995	Hamabe et al.
US 5,442,712	08/15/1995	Kawamura et al.
US 5,651,071	07/22/1997	Lindemann et al.
US 5,878,389	03/02/1999	Hermansky et al.
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US 6,130,949	10/10/2000	Aoki et al.
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OTHER ART – NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS	
Boll, S. F., "Suppression of Acoustic Noise in Speech Using Spectral Subtraction," <i>IEEE Trans. on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing</i> , Vol. ASSP-27, No. 2, 1979, pp. 113-120.	
Udrea, R. M. et al., "Speech Enhancement Using Spectral Over-Subtraction and Residual Noise Reduction," <i>IEEE</i> , 2003, pp. 165-168.	
Vaseghi, S. V., Chapter 12 "Impulsive Noise," <i>Advanced Digital Signal Processing and Noise Reduction</i> , 2 nd ed., John Wiley and Sons, Copyright 2000, pp. 355-377.	

Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 (two sheets), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2). Pursuant to the undersigned attorney's obligation and duties under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.98(a)(3) and (c), either English language abstracts, partial translations, or full translations are included for patent documents which are not in English for the express purpose of providing a concise explanation of the references to the Patent and Trademark Office with the opportunity to evaluate the same. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

Also enclosed are copies of Office Actions and Search Reports for the following corresponding Foreign Patent Applications:

DOCUMENT NAME	COUNTRY	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
First Office Action	Canada	2458428	04/25/2008
First Office Action	Canada	2458427	05/21/2008
First Office Action	China	200410004563.4	05/18/2007
First Office Action	China	200410004564.9	02/02/2007
Second Office Action	China	200410004564.9	07/13/2007
First Office Action	China	200510003468.7	02/27/2009
Search Report	Europe	04003675.8	04/30/2004
Search Report	Europe	04003811.9	05/12/2004
First Office Action	Europe	04003811.9	04/13/2005
First Office Action	Europe	04003675.8	06/07/2005
Search Report	Europe	05026904.2	04/10/2006
First Office Action	Europe	05026904.2	01/10/2007
First Office Action	Japan	2004-45524	06/27/2008
First Office Action	Japan	2004-43727	06/30/2008
Second Office Action	Japan	2004-43727	01/09/2009

Additionally, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to review the claims and the prosecution history, including any Office Actions issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and any responses filed by Applicants, for the following related co-pending U.S. applications: Serial No. 10/410,736, filed April 10, 2003; Serial No. 11/006,935, filed December 8, 2004; Serial No. 11/252,160, filed October 17, 2005; Serial No. 11/331,806, filed January 13, 2006; and Serial No. 11/607,340, filed November 30, 2006.

The Office Actions and Search Reports are included solely for informational purposes. Applicants do not necessarily adopt or acquiesce in the statements contained in these Office Actions or Search Reports.

By submitting this Statement, Applicants are attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 CFR §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 CFR §1.56(a).

Applicants have calculated no fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the Transmittal accompanying this Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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